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## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (Previously presented) A pastry glaze composition, obtained by solubilizing a Ca<sup>2+</sup> reactive low methoxylated-amidated pectin with a degree of methoxylation <50% and a degree of amidation up to 30% but not 0%, thereby obtaining a pastry glaze
  - that before application, is liquid or semi-liquid in appearance, and
  - that contains Ca<sup>+2</sup> ions and/or other ions needed for jellification in an amount that is insufficient for jellification before application;

so that the glaze only jellifies when applied onto a food product support that provides the extra amount of Ca<sup>+2</sup> ions and/or other ions needed for jellification.

- 2. **(Previously presented)** The glaze composition of Claim 1, which is a ready-to-use pastry glaze.
- 3. **(Previously presented)** The glaze composition of claim 1, which is liquid or semi-liquid in appearance at ambient temperature.
- 4. **(Previously presented)** The glaze composition of claim 1, which forms a gel at ambient temperatures once applied onto a food product support.
- 5. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, which is a non-jellified thixotropic glaze.
- 6. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, with a free natural Ca<sup>2+</sup> level of up to about 50 ppm.
- 7. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the Ca<sup>2+</sup> reactive pectin is a low methoxylated-high amidated pectin.
- 8. **(Previously presented)** The glaze composition of claim 8, wherein the pectin has a degree of methoxylation between about 20 and about 40%; and a degree of amidation between about 10 and about 25%.
- 9. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the Ca<sup>2+</sup> reactive pectin has a degree of methoxylation of about 28% and a degree of amidation of about 22%.
- 10. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the Ca<sup>2+</sup> reactive pectin has a degree of methoxylation of about 36% and a degree of amidation of about 14%.

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11. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the Ca<sup>2+</sup> reactive pectin has a degree of methoxylation of about 25% and a degree of amidation of about 21%.

- 12. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the Ca<sup>2+</sup> reactive pectin has a degree of amidation of about 18%.
- 13. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the Ca<sup>2+</sup> reactive pectin has a degree of methoxylation of about 37% and a degree of amidation of about 15%.
- 14. **(Previously presented)** The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the firmness of the gelling glaze is at least multiplied by factor 2 after contact with the food product support.
- 15. **(Previously presented)** The glaze composition of claim 1, which forms a cut-able gel after contact with a food product support.
  - 16. (Canceled)
  - 17. (Canceled)
- 18. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, wherein the glaze is suitable for glazing of food products with precision, for instance with a brush.
- 19. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, further comprising another gelling agent and/or a viscosifier.
- 20. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 19, wherein the other gelling agent is selected from the group consisting of pectins, gellan gum, carrageenans, agar and alginates.
- 21. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 19, wherein the viscosifier is selected from the group consisting of guar gum, locust bean gum, xanthan gum, modified cellulose and arabic gum.
- 22. (Currently amended) The glaze composition of claim 1, further comprising extra  $CaCl_2$  if the pectin is a lower  $Ca^{2+}$  reactive pectin.
  - 23. (Canceled)
  - 24. (Canceled)
- 25. (Previously presented) A food product that is glazed with the glaze composition of claim 1.

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26. (Previously presented) The food product according to claim 25, wherein the glaze that is formed on it is easily cut-able, and allows an easy division of the product in portions without any flowing down problems of the glaze.

- 27. (Previously presented) The food product according to claim 26 selected from the group consisting of a tart or pastry decorated with bakery cream, a fruit tart, a cake, viennoiseries, danishes and bavarois.
- 28. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 1, with a brix of about 30° to about 60° and with an acid pH.
- 29. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 28, with a brix of about 35° to about 55°.
  - 30. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 28, with a pH below 4.5.
- 29. (Cancelled) The glaze composition of claim 28, with a brix of about 35° to about 55°.
  - 30. (Cancelled) The glaze composition of claim 28, with a pH below 4.5.
  - 31. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 28, with a pH below 4.
- 32. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 6, with a free natural Ca<sup>2+</sup> level of about 15 ppm.
- 33. (Previously presented) The glaze composition of claim 8, wherein the degree of methoxylation is between about 25 and about 37%; and the degree of amidation between about 14 and about 22%.
- 34. (Previously presented) A method for glazing a food product, said method comprising at least the step of applying the glaze composition of claim 1 onto a food product support, whereafter the gelling glaze forms a gel on said food product.
- 35. (Previously presented) The method of claim 34, wherein the support is selected from the list consisting of bakery cream, cakes, bread, danish pastry, puffed pastry and fruits and/or any combination thereof.
- 36. (Previously presented) The method of claim 35, wherein the fruits are selected from the group consisting of apricots, pineapple, pears, kiwis and oranges.